City of Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 137.

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SUBJECT:

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION: PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THIS PORTION OF THE AGENDA MUST BE LIMITED TO MATTERS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL. NO SUBJECT MAY BE ACTED UPON BY THE CITY COUNCIL UNLESS THAT SUBJECT IS ON THE AGENDA AND IS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION. IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD, COME TO THE PODIUM AND GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. THE AMOUNT OF DISCUSSION ON ANY SINGLE SUBJECT, AS WELL AS THE AMOUNT OF TIME ANY SINGLE SPEAKER IS ALLOWED, MAY BE LIMITED

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Submitted at meeting – These documents were not scanned for the internet but can be found in the Final Minutes.

Minutes:

DON HART, Clark County resident, spoke about the civic arena being contemplated. He indicated that on March 8th four games of the final tournament are scheduled and they anticipate double turn-out from the previous NBA games. He asked if a stadium is still scheduled for downtown Las Vegas and how will the City mitigate the traffic problem, especially when stringent requirements are imposed on residential dwellings. The only logical place to build such a facility is on the southwest side of Las Vegas Boulevard backing to the I-15. A stadium on 12 acres will not fit.

AL HESSEN, retired navy veteran, read an article by JOHN RALSTON in the Las Vegas Sun, dated March 2nd, about the Mayor.

MICHAEL LEE, 117 North 4th Street, stated he recently was elected to the Board of Directors for the Forgotten Voice newspaper. Forgotten Voice is an opportunity for the homeless people to communicate their ideas and concerns to the City Council. He commended the Mayor's commitment to helping the homeless population. He expressed concern about the possible closure of the women's shelter at St. Vincent. They need to know what their options are and need to be reassured that they will not end up on the streets again. MAYOR GOODMAN asked MR. LEE to meet with the Deputy City Managers and arrange a time when they can go and speak to these women.

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN clarified that the shelter is operated with the understanding that it closes on March 31st, but will remain open in case of inclement weather. Clark County Social Services has sent out early morning and weekend intervention teams all winter long to help these women enter housing, such as Shade Tree or the Salvation Army.

ROSHAN JOSHUA COLLINS indicated he also writes for the Forgotten Voice. He stated that homeless people are still jailed for sitting under trees. He expressed concern about homosexual magazines in public libraries. He gave information for anyone who wants to contact him for

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TED RUSSELL, Las Vegas resident, endorses the Forgotten Voice for its innovation.

Meeting adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

